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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on 05/08/2007, please amend the above referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.